



— State of —
North Dakota
Office of the Governor
John Hoeven
Governor

PROCLAMATION
PRIDE OF DAKOTA MONTH
March 2004

WHEREAS, North Dakota is a leader in the production of quality agriculture and home-crafted products for the United States and the world, and the Pride of Dakota program serves as an important marketing tool for North Dakota companies who are competing in a global market; and

WHEREAS, Pride of Dakota has become widely known as a symbol of quality, and has provided North Dakota companies with access to new markets worldwide; and

WHEREAS, the people of North Dakota are encouraged to acknowledge the Pride of Dakota program, in recognition of the nearly 400 members and their contributions to North Dakota's economy; and

WHEREAS, all schools are encouraged to recognize the importance of the North Dakota food industry by participating in "Pride of Dakota School Lunch Day" on March 23, 2004, and by featuring North Dakota grown and processed foods on their menu; and

NOW, THEREFORE, as the Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim March 2004, **PRIDE OF DAKOTA MONTH** in the state of North Dakota.

/s/
John Hoeven
Governor

Attest:

/s/
Alvin A. Jaeger
Secretary of State